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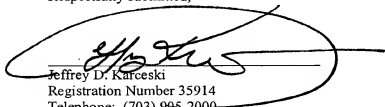
Sir:

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Japanese Publication No. 46-144447B1 was cited in the International Search Report filed with this application on September 29, 2004, however a copy of that reference was not provided. Attached please find a copy of that reference. Since an English abstract for the reference is unavailable, the International Search Report is relied upon for a statement of relevance.

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